

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

### HONORING ARMY SPECIALIST RAFAEL NAVEA

#### HON. PETER DEUTSCH

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 16, 2003*

Mr. DEUTSCH. Mr. Speaker, it is with great honor that I rise today to honor the life and military service of Army Specialist Rafael Navea, a soldier who was killed August 27th in Al-Fallujah, Iraq, about 40 miles west of Baghdad during his dedicated service to our nation.

Born in Michigan, Navea was raised in Caracas, Venezuela, where he attended Catholic School and later enrolled in a military school. It was a lifelong dream of his to be in the military and follow the footsteps of his Uncle Fernando, a military officer in Colombia. Navea's family later moved to Miami and later Pittsburgh, where Rafael joined the military in 1993.

Upon serving for four years in the Army, Navea transferred to reserve status in an effort to pursue an education at a technical school, specializing in the study of computers. While attending school and working at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center (UPMC), he met his wife, Marina, a transplant nurse there at the hospital. Later, Marina and Rafael started a family, and the couple had three boys—now ages 11, 5, and 3.

A loving father and a dedicated soldier to his country, Rafael viewed his role in liberating the Iraqi people with a great sense of urgency and duty. He often spoke of the poverty he witnessed in Iraq, similar to the conditions he encountered as a young boy in South America. From this experience, Navea wanted to help the people of Iraq achieve a better quality of life. Additionally, Navea spoke to his mother about the dangers of terrorism and how something needed to be done to prevent its spread across the globe and make the world a safer and better place for his children.

Mr. Speaker, it is, indeed, truly a sad moment to stand here today and honor the life of this fallen soldier. However, I am comforted by the fact that Specialist Navea has left a lasting legacy as an exemplary father, a loving son, and a true American hero. Rafael Navea is survived by his mother Maria Lucia Kilpatrick of Weston, Florida, and his wife Marina and three children of Fort Still, Oklahoma.

### HONORING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CALVIN UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

#### HON. MARCY KAPTUR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 16, 2003*

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, after a decade of trying, Calvin United Church of Christ was officially organized. Thus, 2003 marks the

100th anniversary of the congregation, and I am pleased to recognize this milestone in Toledo's Hungarian community's history.

As Toledo's Hungarian neighborhood grew toward the end of the nineteenth century, Reverend Eiek Csutoros of the Cleveland Reformed Church held the first church service for Toledo's Hungarian Protestants in 1893. In 1898, 45 Hungarian Protestants came together to discuss the formation of an Hungarian Reformed Church. Reverend Csutoros, serving as an advisor, recommended they join Reformed Church in the USA. In 1901, the Toledo Hungarian Reformed Church was officially recognized as a member of the Tiffin East Ohio Classis. The church's first leaders were John Nagy, John Jakesy, Julius Simon, Gabriel Bertok, Stephen Molnar, and John Takacs. The church, still at its original site, was purchased for \$1,225.00. After a rocky two years and with the installation of pastor Stephen Harsanyi, the present church was constructed and a congregation of 284 founding members was established. Many of the first names are still recognizable in the congregation today, generations later.

The following decades brought growth to the church, with the organization of a Sunday School, Ladies' Aid, Boys Athletic Club, Cherub Choir, and Youth Organization, building expansions including a parsonage, educational building, and hall, and increasing service to the neighborhood. Services were preached in both English and Hungarian, as the congregants' ties to Hungary remained strong even while they established themselves in the United States.

The recorded history of the church notes its difficult beginnings, describing the ten year journey to bring the dream of a dedicated band of believers to fruition, explaining, "The beginnings were not easy, there were many obstacles in the way. The history of our church reads like a novel; filled with pathos, drama, laughter, on the brink of defeat, then triumphant." Those early pioneers never wavered from their goal of worshiping in communion with each other, and they were guided by the words of Luke 1:37 that "With God, all things are possible." Calvin United Church of Christ stands as a monument to the perseverance and faith of its founders and all who have come after them. It tells of the struggle and success of people who achieved though starting with humble means. As our community celebrates the centennial year of Calvin United Church of Christ, we watch the century's story pass in review, but turn to the future with hope and a renewed sense of dedication. Onward!

### RECOGNIZING KIMBERLY SUE ATHIE—FIRST PRIZE RECIPIENT IN THE 2003 NATHAN BURKAN MEMORIAL COMPETITION

#### HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 16, 2003*

Mr. GRAVES. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Kimberly Sue Athie, a very special young woman who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership. She has been honored with the award of distinction as the first prize winner in the 2003 Nathan Burkan Memorial Competition for her paper "Open Source Software Licenses: Tomorrow's Future? Are They Going to be Enforceable in Court?"

The competition is conducted to enhance interest in the impartial study and analysis of copyright and related laws and is sponsored by the American Society of Composers, Authors, and Publishers.

Kimberly graduated from the University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law in May 2003, and received her undergraduate degree from Truman State University. While attending law school, Kimberly established herself as a well-rounded student by serving as a Westlaw Student Representative, Editorial Associate for Urban Lawyer, Academic Enrichment Teaching Assistant, was a member of Phi Alpha Delta, and by making the Dean's List.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Kimberly Sue Athie for her many achievements and in wishing her the best of luck in her future.

### ON THE OCCASION OF PRIME MINISTER SABA AL-AHMED AL-SABAH'S VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES

#### HON. DARRELL E. ISSA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 16, 2003*

Mr. ISSA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today on the occasion of the visit of Prime Minister Sheikh Sabah al-Ahmed al-Sabah of Kuwait to express my gratitude and sincere appreciation to him and his government for their steadfast support for the United States-led coalition in Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Since its independence in 1961, Kuwait has maintained close relations with the United States. Like the people of Iraq, Kuwait is in a unique position to understand the brutality of Saddam Hussein's regime. It was invaded by Iraq in August of 1990, and the Kuwaiti people experienced firsthand Saddam's brutality throughout the seven months of occupation until February of 1991, when coalition forces liberated Kuwait.

Since the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, Kuwait has been an active partner with

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